



RS Feva Summer Championship

Incorporating Feva RYA BYS Midlands Regional Junior Championship

Sailing Instructions

5th & 6th September 2020

The Organising Authority (OA) is Draycote Water Sailing Club (DWSC) in conjunction with the UK RS Feva Association.

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, RYA Prescriptions, Class Rules and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Competitors shall sail in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3. The two turns penalty as described will be replaced by one turn penalty (one tack, one gybe). **This changes RRS 44.1**

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official WhatsApp Group



Scan this QR code with your phone camera to be prompted to join the official group.

This is where all notices, time and results etc will be posted...
don't miss out!

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 1 hour before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect and shall be valid for all subsequent races in the series unless notified to the contrary.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE: Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club flagstaff on the patio.



When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signals AP.



Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed ashore. Boats shall not to leave the slipway until this signal is made.

Competitors should note that signals may be flown from halyards at the club flagstaff in connection with the control of club racing.

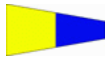
5. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

5.1.

Day / Date	Event	Time	Location
Wednesday 3 rd September	SI & Briefing video available	By end of day	Online
Saturday 5 th September	Registration	09:00 – 10:30	On entry to site (remain in vehicle)
	Race 1 warning signal	11:25	Draycote Water
	Race 2,3&4	ASAP after race 1,2&3	
Sunday 6 th September	Race 1 warning signal	9:55	
	Race 2,3&4	ASAP after race 1,2&3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prize giving if possible will be by invitation only, those invited will be notified on the official WhatsApp group. Prizes and photos will be taken in a socially distances manner. • If not possible then prizes will be posted out. • A decision will be made by end of protest time. 			

5.2. The regatta will consist of up to 8 races, 1 race constitutes a regatta.

5.3.



The intention is 4 races per day, if a 5th race is to be sailed on either day “numeral pennant 5” will be flown under the blue finish flag on the committee vessel when finishing race 4 (of the day).

6. **CLASS FLAGS:** Class flags will be a white flag with the RS Feva logo on it



7. **EXCLUSION AREAS:** Boats shall not sail at any time within 30 metres of the shore except at the club compound. Landing in an exclusion area is allowed only in an emergency.

The pontoon and moorings in front of the clubhouse are for use only by official boats.

8. THE COURSES:

8.1. The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which the mark is to be left.

8.2. The course letter and number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on the back of the committee vessel.

9. THE MARKS:

9.1. Marks 1, 2s & 2p will be orange dumpy marks.

9.2. The start mark will be either a boat displaying an orange flag or danbuoy displaying an orange flag.

9.3. The finishing mark will be either a boat displaying a blue flag or danbuoy displaying a blue flag.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS:

10.1. Fishing boats, whether engaged in fishing or not. For this purpose, the area within which a fishing line extends from, or is being cast from a fishing boat, shall form a part of the fishing boat.


10.2. Rescue boats and committee boats when not displaying definitive start or finish flags.

10.3. 30 metres of the shore except at the club compound.



11. THE START:

- 11.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 (5,4,1, GO).
- 11.2. An orange attention signal will be made at least 5 minutes before the warning signal for each race.
- 11.3. The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the starting mark.
- 11.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made should avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.5. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. **This changes RRS A4 and A5.**
- 11.6. A race may not be started if, in the opinion of the Race Officer, there is excessive or insufficient wind.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE:

- 12.1. The position of marks may be changed by less than 50m during a race. Such change will be made only if no boat is sailing towards the mark on that leg of the course. Flag C will not be flown to indicate this change, nor will "+" or "-" signs be displayed. **This changes RRS 33.**
- 12.2.  If changes over 50m in any direction are required these will be signalled in line with RRS 33.

13. THE FINISH:

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between a mast displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and the finishing mark.
- 13.2.  If the course is shortened this may be at a rounding mark (as RRS 32.2(a)). Alternatively, if the committee boat is on station on the finishing line and displays the shortened course flag, boats should complete the lap and cross the finishing line to finish. **This changes RRS 32.2.**
- 13.3.  At the discretion of the race officer, any competitor failing to finish within a reasonable time period of the first boat finishing that race may be finished on the course by a committee boat or safety boat displaying Flag W. Any competitor so finished will score the number of points in accordance to their finishing position in that race. **This changes RRS 28.1.**

14. TIME LIMIT:

- 14.1. The target time for each race is 45 minutes.
- 14.2. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. **This changes RRS 62.1(a).**
- 14.3. The time limit will be 70 minutes from the start for that class. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat of her class finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later will be scored in their observed position. **This changes RRS 35.** Also see SI 13.3.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:

- 15.1. The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. See <http://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Racing/RacingInformation/RacingRules/RYA%20Guidance%20-%20Rules%20Disputes%20-%202012.16.pdf> for details. The exoneration penalty will be 30% of the number of boats (rounding 0.5 upwards) entered in the relevant fleet.
- 15.2. Protest forms are available from the race office (also the shop)
- 15.3. The protest time limit is 30 minutes from the last boat finishing the last race of the day
- 15.4. The jury will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible

15.5. Notice of protests will be via the WhatsApp group.

15.6. **RRS 66 is changed** by adding this sentence: "On the last day of racing, a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision".

15.7. Protests may have to be heard at a later date if social distancing and other safety regulations can't be adhered to due to covid 19.

16. SCORING:

16.1. The low point scoring system rule A4 will apply.

16.2. The total score for each boat will be her total scores as follows.

16.2.1. Fewer than 4 races – all races count.

16.2.2. 4 or more races – boats total scores minus her worst.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS:

17.1. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times whilst on the water. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. **This changes Rule 40.**

17.2. During the months of November, December, January, February and March, all persons on the water shall wear exposure proof clothing. For the purpose of this instruction 'Exposure proof clothing' shall mean an adequate expanded neoprene wet suit providing protection from neck to ankle or a dry suit providing watertight cover from neck to ankle.

17.3. Boats retiring from a race must inform a race committee (or safety boat) as soon as possible.

18. SUPPORT BOATS: No support boats are permitted on the water.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS: Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the regatta. Neither these sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the boat, the crew, and her management. Neither the race organisers nor Draycote Water Sailing Club shall accept any liability for any loss, material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

21. INSURANCE: Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

22. RESULTS: As part of entering this regatta your results will be published in the public domain and may be given to the RYA for their Portsmouth Yardstick scheme and to the Class Association. While your results contain personal data, it is normal practice to expect that, when entering an event, your results will be published, and this is a condition of entry. It is therefore part of the contract to provide you with race entry and administration that we will publish the results, which may include such information such as sail number, sailing club, age and gender (if there are age and gender related results).

23. PHOTOGRAPHY: By competing in this regatta, competitors grant to the organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any non-identifiable motion pictures, still pictures and live,

taped or filmed television of or relating to the event and consent to these being published in Class, club, sponsor and other publications and / or the Class, club, sponsor or other websites.

- 24. LOCAL RULES:** All sailing, including club racing, is controlled by Draycote Water Sailing Club and may take place only when the club burgee is flying on the flagstaff in front of the clubhouse. The race committee may decide to control the open meeting solely from a committee boat when normal club sailing has been abandoned or sailing is outside normal club sailing times. In this case, the committee boat will fly the club burgee meaning that only open meeting competitors may sail.

All entrants and authorised guests will be deemed to be guests of Draycote Water Sailing Club during the period of the open meeting and, as such, will abide by all of the club rules and by-laws and may sail only the boat entered for the open meeting.

All entrants and authorised guests shall also comply with the following Water Authority Regulations. We reserve the right to disqualify any competitor without a hearing any competitor who does not comply with these local rules (**this changes RRS 63.1 and A5**):

- No parking of vehicles on any roadways, slipways or grass areas. All vehicles shall be parked in the sailing club main car park or Severn Trent pay & display car park once the trailer and boat are unloaded. All competitors must follow the instructions of the marshals during unloading, loading and car parking.
- Dogs are not allowed on the site. They may be walked in the adjacent Country Park
- All competitors must follow the Check, Clean, Dry programme before arriving at Draycote and commit to following it having left Draycote before their next launch. All visitors will be required to sign a disclaimer to this effect.

- 25. SHALLOWS:** Competitors are advised to check the Notice Board for notification of shallows. Shallows are marked with large yellow round buoys.

ADDENDUM A
ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

LR	COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD with reaching finish
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LR2	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2p - Finish
LR3	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2p - Finish
LR4	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2p - Finish

